

Certaines Prayers for the  
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On this day, I have been  
and blessed of God. For  
to be, and to be, and to be  
and to be, and to be, and to be  
and to be, and to be, and to be

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G O D all-maker,  
keeper, and gui-  
der : Inurement  
of thy rare-seene,  
vnused, & seeld-  
heard-of good-  
nesse, powred in  
so plentiful sort vpon vs full oft, breeds  
now this boldnes, to craue with bow-  
ed knees, and hearts of humilitie, thy  
large hand of helping power, to assyst  
with wonder our iust cause, not foun-  
ded on Prides-motion, nor begun on  
Malice-stock; But as thou best know-  
est, to whom nought is hid, grounded  
on iust defence from wrongs, hate,  
and bloody desire of conquest. For  
since, meanes thou hast imparted to  
saue that thou hast giuen, by enioying  
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such a people, as scornes their blood-  
shed, where suretie ours is one: Forti-  
fie (deare G O D) such hearts in such  
fort, as their best part may be worst,  
that to the truest part meant worst,  
with least losse to such a Nation, as  
despise their liues for their Countreys  
good. That all Forreine lands may  
laud & admire the Omnipotencie of  
thy worke: a fact alone for thee only  
to performe. So shall thy Name be  
spread for wonders wrought, and the  
faithfull encouraged, to repose in thy  
vnfellowed Grace: And we that min-  
ded nought but right, inchained in  
thy bonds for perpetuall flauerie, and  
liue & die the sacrificers of our soules  
for such obtained fauour. War-  
rant, deare Lord, all this I doe  
with thy command.

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Oft mighty God  
and mercifull Fa-  
ther, as hitherto  
of thyne infinite  
goodnes thou hast  
very miraculou-  
ly protected thy  
humble Seruant  
our Soueraigne  
Lady & Queene,  
and all vs her subiects the people of her  
Dominions, frō many dangerous con-  
spiracies, malicious attempts, and Wic-  
ked designements of her and our very  
obstinate & implacable enemies : Foras-  
much as they stil continueing their ma-  
lice, & preparing their Forces to assaile  
vs both by Land & Sea, thou (O Lord)  
to withstand their furie, hast stirred vp  
the heart of thine Anoynted our Soue-  
raigne, to send out some of her Forces  
for our defence : We thine vnworthy ser-  
uants doe most humbly beseech thee,  
through the merites of our Saviour  
Christ, so to conduct them, encourage  
them, and defend them with thy strong  
and mightie arme, as that whatsoeuer  
they

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they shall attempt and take in hand, for  
defence of this Realme against her ene-  
mies, may prosper and haue most happy  
successe. Direct & leade them (O Lord)  
in safetie, strengthen their Gouvernours  
and Leaders with sound counsell and  
valiant resolution. Blesse their conflicts  
with notable victories both by Sea and  
Land: preserve them from all contagi-  
on and mortalitie, either by Worde or  
sicknesse, and giue vnto them (O Lord)  
if it be thy blessed Will, such an honoura-  
ble and happy returne, as may tend to  
our defence by confusion of our enemies,  
to the renouine & comfort of our So-  
ueraigne, to the benefite of thy Church,  
to the good of this Kingdome, and to  
the prayse and glory of thy most mighty  
Name, through Iesu Christ our Lord:

To Whom with thee and the holy  
Ghost be ascribed all honour,  
power, and dominion,  
both nowe and for  
euer. Amen.

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**O** Most mightie **GOD**,  
and **Lozde** of **hostes**,  
which reignest ouer all  
the **Kingdomes** of the  
world, who hast pow-  
er in thine hand to saue  
thy chosen, & to iudge  
thine **Enemies**, and in all ages hast gi-  
uen great and glorious **Victories** vnto  
thy **Church**, with small handfuls over-  
throwing great multitudes and terri-  
ble **Armies**: Let thine eares be now at-  
tent vnto our prayers, and thy merci-  
full eye vpon this **Realme** & **kingdome**.  
And as of thine vnspeakeable goodnes,  
thou hast blessed vs with infinite and  
extraordinary blessings, all the yerres of  
her **Maiesties** most happy reigne ouer  
vs, and of late hast also myraculously  
deliuered vs from sundry the bloody  
practises of our very implacable ene-  
mies: So now, we humbly beseech thee  
(**O** mercifull **Father**) to ayde vs with  
thy mighty **Arme** in this our present iust  
cause, waging warre not in pride or am-  
bition of mind, or any other worldly re-  
spect, but onely for the necessary defence  
of

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of Religion, our liues, and Countrey. We mercifull therefore, O Lord, to our present Forces, and passing ouer both their transgressions and ours, prosper them both by Sea and land. Giue our Leaders & companies, the strength of Unicornes, the hearts of Lyons, armes of Steele, hands of iron, and feete of flint, to beate and tread downe all thine enemies and ours. Let thine helpe from aboue at this time strengthen our Nauy and Armie, thy mercie ouershadowe them, thy power as a wall of fire enuiron them, thy Wisedome direct them, thy prouidence secure them, thine holy Angels garde them, thy Sonne our Lorde Iesus Christ stand by for them, and thy Iustice confound, and Maiestie ouerwhelme all aduersarie power exalting it selfe against this land and thy Gospel. That all the world may know, that it is thy fauour that prospereth, thy blessing that preserueth, and thine arme that ouercommeth in the day of battell. So we that be thy people and sheepe of thy folde, shall sing vnto thy glozie the songs of prayse and thankesgiuing, and magnifie

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magnifie thy goodnesse in the midst of  
thine holy Temple for ever, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord, our onely Sa-  
viour and Mediatour. Amen.



Almightie Lorde  
God of Hostes, it  
is thine owne gra-  
cious promise, that  
when thy people  
shall go out to bat-  
tell against their  
enemies, by the  
way y thou shalt  
send them, & shall  
call vpon thee for thy holy helpe, that  
then thou (Lord) wilt heare their pray-  
ers in heauen, and iudge their cause: In  
assured trust of this thy good promise,  
We present this our supplication before  
thee. O Lorde iudge thou our cause,  
iudge thou betweene vs and our cruell  
enemies. Thou seest Lorde, that they  
first inuaded vs, and so doe still conte-  
nue, and not wee them: that they first  
conspired to root vs out, that we might  
be no more a people of English birth, and  
that

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that then though thou from heauen  
diddest shew thy selfe, in scattering their  
proud forces, to be displeased with their  
attempt, yet notwithstanding by mightie  
preparations at this present they  
seeke our ruine still. That which ar-  
meth vs, is neither desire of enlarging  
our owne borders, nor thirst of blood,  
nor rauiue of spoyle, but onely our owne  
iust defence, onely to breake the power  
of our enemies, and to turne away the  
battell from our owne gates: For that  
if we sit still, and suffer them to gather  
strength, they will suddenly make a  
breach vpon vs, and destroy the mother  
with the children. This they seeke, O  
Lord, & as thou seest, that the heart of  
thine Anointed in all her actions is vp-  
right before thee, so mainteine thou our  
right, & be enemy to our enemies. Great  
is their malice (as thou Lord seest) and  
great is þe mischief they intend against  
vs. Let not the wicked haue their de-  
sire: O Lord, let not their mischieuous  
imaginations prosper, least they be too  
proude. And albeit our many and grie-  
uous iniquities may testifie against vs,  
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and iustly deserue, that thou shouldest  
make the enemies sword the auenger of  
thy couenant which wee haue broken;  
Yet deale thou with vs according to thy  
mercy, O Lord. we haue sinned, Lord,  
doe thou vnto vs what seemeth good in  
thine eyes: onely at this time wee pray  
thee to succour vs, and not make vs a  
scorne and derision to our oppressers.  
The rather O Lord, for that wee put  
not our trust in any strength of our  
owne, but our eyes looke onely to thee.  
we know, Lord, the battellis thine, and  
that with thee it is nothing to saue with  
many, or with few: For that except thou  
command the winds, we can not stirre,  
and except thou blesse with counsell and  
courage, wee shall not preuaile, and all  
these are in thine handes to giue or to  
withholde. Helpe vs, O Lord God, for  
we rest on thee, and in thy Name go we  
foorth against these mightie preparati-  
ons. O Lorde thou art our God, let  
not man preuaile against thee: let thine  
arme rise vp, and put on strength to pre-  
serue vs now as of olde, even the same  
arme that was mightie for vs and a-  
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gainst them in their former pride and  
furie.

Wherefore from thy holy Sanctua-  
rie, O Lorde, open thine eyes and be-  
hold, incline thine eare and heare the  
prayer of thy seruants. Goe forth, O  
Lord, with our hostes by Sea and by  
land. Send forth the Windes out of thy  
treasures to bring them to the place ap-  
pointed. Take all contagious sicknesse  
from the middelt of them, O Lord the  
strength of our saluation. Couer their  
heads in the day of battell. Send thy  
feare before thy seruants, & make their  
enemies to flee and fal before them. Let  
thy faith (Lord) make them valiant in  
battell, and put to flight the Armies of  
Aliens. And by this shall we know, O  
Lorde, that thou fauourest vs, in that  
our enemy doeth not triumph ouer vs,  
and shall alwayes confesse to the prayse  
of thy Name, that it was thy hand, and  
that it was thou, Lord, the shield of our  
helpe, and sword of our glory, that hast  
done these great things for vs, and euer-  
more say, Praised be the Lorde, that  
hath pleasure in the prosperitie of his  
seruants.

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seruants, heare vs, O Lord for the glorie of thy Name, for thy louing Mercie, and for thy trueth sake, euen for the merites and intercession of our Lord Iesus Christ. Amen.



Eternall God in power most mighty, in strength most glorious, Without Whom the Horse & Chariot is in vaine prepared against y day of battell: vouchsafe (Wee beseeche thee) from thy high throne of Maiestie, to heare and receiue the heartie & humble prayers, which on bended knees, We y people of thy pasture and sheepe of thy hands, doe in an vnfayned acknowledgement of thy might and our owne weakenesse, powre out before thee on the behalfe of our gracious Soueraigne, and on the behalfe of her Armies, her Nobles, her Valiants, and men of warre: who by thee inspired haue put their liues in their hands, and at this time doe oppose themselves, against the malice and violence of such, as beare a mortall hate at thy Sion, and doe dayly conspire and rise vp against it,

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even against the Church, thine Annoynted, and the people of this her Land. Arise then (O Lord) and stand by we pray thee, to helpe and defend them: be thou their Captaine to goe in and out before them, and to leadethem in this iourney: teache their fingers to fight, and their hands to make battaile. The Generall and Chieftaines blesse with the spirite of wisdom, counsell, and direction: the Souldiers with mindes ready to performe and execute. Gird them all with strength, and powre out vpon them the spirite of courage: giue them in the day of battell, heartes like the hearts of Lions, inuincible and fearelesse against euill, but terrible to such as come out against them. Where the enemy doeth rage, and danger approche, be thou (O Lord) a rocke of saluation, and a tower of defence vnto them. Breake the enemies Weapons: As smoke vanissheth, so let their enemies be scattered, and such as hate them, flie before them. Thou seest (O Lord) the malice of our aduersaries, howe for thy Name which is called on ouer vs, and for the trueth of thy Gospell

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Gospell wherein we reioyce; they beare a tyrannous hate against vs, continually bering and troubling vs, that faine would liue in peace. Styre vp therefore (**O** Lord) thy strength, and auenge our iust quarrell: turne the sword of our enemye vpon his owne head, and cause his delight in warre to become his owne destruction: As thou hast dealt with him heretofore, so now scatter his Forces, and spoile his mighty Ships, in which he trusteth. So shall we the people of thine inheritance, giue praise vnto thy Name, and for thy great mercy giue thanks vnto thee in the great Congregation: yea, the world shall know, and the Nations shall vnderstand to the praise of thy glory, that thou alone defendest them that trust in thee, and giuest victorie vnto Princes. Heare vs (**O** Lord our strength) in these our prayers for Iesus Christ his sake. Amen.



Almighty God, which onely doest great wonders, shewe forth (we pray thee) at this time the power of thy might,

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and the glorie of thy strength, by preserving our Armies at Sea & Land, from death and sicknesse, and all perils on the Sea, and by helping them in the day of battell, against the rage and violence of the Aduersarie. Thou seest (O Lord) that not for any worldly respects, but for the defence of this Realme, and the peace of thy Church in it, this iourney is vndertaken, to abate & withstand the pride, and to daunt the insolencies of our enemies, who conspire and bandie themselves against vs, breathing out Wrath and vtter subuersion. Arise therefore wee pray thee (O Lord of Hostes) vnto our helpe, & let our enemies feele that thou still defendest our iust cause, and in y<sup>e</sup> day of battell doest fight for vs. Not in our owne sword, nor in the arme of our owne flesh, doe we put our trust, but our trust is in the multitude of thy mercies, & in the strength of thy mightie Arme, who art God alone. Blesse therefore the Chieftaines & Leaders of our bands, with y<sup>e</sup> spirit of wisedome, counsell, and magnanimitie, and the Souldiers with courage and fortitude, to stand vndaunted,

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vndaunted, & Without feare in the day  
of battell. But as for their enemies, and  
such as come out against them, cast a  
feare & astonishment vpon them, that  
they may fal, and couer their faces With  
shame & confusion. That all the Worlde  
may know, that thou (O God) resistest  
the proude and Wicked men, and that  
thou auengest the cause of such, as put  
their trust in thee. Heare vs, O God of  
Hostes, euen for Christ his sake our only  
Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.




God most glorious, y shield  
of al that trust in thee, who  
alone doest sende Peace to  
thy people, and causest  
warre to cease in all the  
world, Consider the dayly troubles of  
thy seruants, & behold the malice of our  
Aduersaries, who for thy Names sake,  
which is called on ouer vs, and for the  
trueth of thy Gospel wherin we reioyce,  
doe conspire & band them selues against  
vs, breathing out wrath and vtter sub-  
uersion. Many a time hath their wrath  
bene kindled, so that they would haue  
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swallowed vs vp quicke : but by thy power their purpose hath bene frustrated, their counsels preuented, their preparations ouerthrowen, and we deliuered. Yet, O Lorde, their heart is set against vs, still to bere & trouble vs that faine would liue in peace. But for the quiet of thy Church, and that thine enemies may knowe thee to be a God of mercy, cause them to returne at last, and not any longer to hate those whome thou hast loued : Make them to see that their plotts & designements are against thee, who for vs fightest against them, drowning their ships, & casting downe their strong holdes in which they doe trust : that thy Name may be glorified in the day of their conuersion. But if they shall still harden their hearts, and will not vnderstand either our defence, or their owne calamitie to come of thee : Make voyde their deuises, disclose their counsels, discouer their secret complots, that in the snare which they haue layd for vs, their owne feete may be taken. Finally, O Lord, whensoever they prepare them selues to battaile, take the  
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Defence of our iust cause into thine hand:  
Breake their Raues, disperse their  
Armies, and cast vpon them a feare and  
astonishment, that they may tremble at  
thy presence, and flye before they be pur-  
sued: Graunt this O Lord our strength  
euen for Christ his sake. Amen.

 Eternall God, Lord of the  
whole worlde, and guide  
of Sea and Land, who by  
thy mightie power sortest to  
what effect thou wilt, the Councils and  
actions of all men: gracionsly vouch-  
safe to blesse & order vnto happy issue,  
the late begunne worke of our gracions  
Soueraigne, in the hand of her Nobles  
and men of warre, nowe sent out by  
Seas, to withstande the Enemies of  
her life, her people, and thy Church.  
As Guide and Generall of the iourney,  
let it please thee (mightie Lorde of  
hostes) to goe in and out before them,  
with best fore-windes and streightest  
course to speede and prosper them in the  
way. And whē thou hast brought them  
to the appointed place, in a pillar of fire  
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giue light to direct their steps, and in a pillar of a Cloude defend them. But vpon them thy spirit of Counsell and fortitude, & vnder the banner of thy power and protection, let the worke be effected. Courage and imbolden them in the day of conflict, to stand vndaunted & without feare. Make way and opportunitie for them to attempt with aduantage, and for thy Names sake graunt (O glorious God) to their puissant attempts happy successe in battell, to their battell a ioyfull victorie, and to their victorie a safe and triumphant returne. So Will we y people of thine inheritance, which now we pray for the blessing of thy grace vpon them, praise thy Name for euer, & together with them ascribe both cause and glory of the worke, not to our owne strength, but vnto thy power, who alone giuest victory in the day of battell: and for thy great mercies Will giue thanks vnto thee in the midst of the Congregation. Heare vs, O Father, euē for Christ his sake. Amen.

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